

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An electromagnetic switch for a starter, comprising:

a solenoid casing configured into a cylindrical body having a bottom formed at one axial end, with a circular opening provided on said bottom;

a coil accommodated inside said solenoid casing;

a plunger disposed slidably inside said coil via a cylindrical sleeve; and

a switch casing surrounding an outer surface of said solenoid casing; and

a switch cover having two external terminals and two coil terminals and being fixed to said switch casing, one of said external terminals of said switch cover being a battery terminal connected to a battery, the other one of said external terminals being a motor terminal connected to a motor, and said coil terminals of said switch cover being electrically connected to two lead lines of said coil, respectively; and

at least one pair of a projection and a groove engageable with each other, one of said projection and said groove being formed on an outer cylindrical surface of said solenoid casing and the other of said projection and said groove being formed on an inner cylindrical surface of said switch casing, so that and engagement of said projection and said groove guides positioning said solenoid casing shifting in an axial and circumferential direction when of said switch casing at a time of inserting said solenoid casing is inserted inside into the switch casing such that said lead lines of said coil accommodated inside said solenoid casing are disposed in a vicinity of said coil terminals of said switch cover fixed to said switch casing.

2. (Currently Amended) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1, wherein ~~said coil has lead lines connected to connecting terminals of a switch cover, and~~ said switch cover is connected to said switch casing via a seal member.

3. (Original) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1,
wherein

a ground plate is disposed at the other axial end of said solenoid casing so as to
form a magnetic circuit together with said solenoid casing,

said coil is interposed between said bottom of said solenoid casing and said
ground plate, and

said ground plate is fixed by deforming an opened end of said solenoid casing.

4. (Original) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1,
wherein said solenoid casing has a cylindrical portion protruding outward in the axial direction
from the periphery of said circular opening of said bottom, and said sleeve is inserted inside said
cylindrical portion of said solenoid casing.

5. (Original) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1,
wherein said switch casing is integrally formed with a center housing interposing between a
starter housing and a motor.

6. (Original) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1,
wherein a plurality pairs of the projection and the groove are disposed at a plurality of
circumferential positions spaced at equal angular intervals in the circumferential direction.

7. (Original) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 6,
wherein

said switch cover is fixed to said switch casing by means of fixing members
disposed at equal angular intervals in the circumferential direction, and
the total number of said fixing members is identical with that of said plurality
pairs of the projection and the groove.

8. (Currently Amended) The electromagnetic switch for a starter in accordance with claim 1, wherein

said motor terminal and said battery terminal of said switch cover has a pair of motor terminals being disposed oppositely about an axial center of the switch cover for providing an electric path supplying electric power to a motor when connected to each other, and
said coil terminals of said switch cover has two coil terminals being disposed oppositely about the axial center of the switch cover and connected to said coil via lead lines.